

There was an old horse named Luke,
Whose daughter had married a duke.
The son-in-law, dear,
Once called Luke his peer,
Which Luke thought an awful rebuke.



The Man Who Skates To Win a Bet May Not Be Tempting Fate— It's Much Safer Skating On a Bet Than Betting On a Skate



There was an old card shark named Stair,
According to Hyle he was square.
When his hand appeared a rank
'Neath the table he'd peek
And find an additional pair.

NEWTON AND BAILEY ARE SIGNED TO GO

Welterweight of the Army and Crack
Georgia Lad To Meet in Fifteen
Rounder at Smelter January 28.

By CHUCK SWAN.
JOHNNY NEWTON, welterweight champion of the Army and Bill Bailey, the Gentleman from Georgia, are slated to tangle in the next fracas at the Smelter Arena, billed for January 28. And they will step 15 rounds to a decision, with Billy Smith handling down the verdict.

Yesterday the boys met in the office of matchmaker Jim Brown of the Smelter arena, and agreed to terms and conditions. They will sign articles Thursday afternoon at the McCoy Hotel.

This will should be a good one. Newton is really a high class performer in every sense of the word. He's a combination fighter-boxer, who can either dance around and jab or step in and clout. He has proven to be a boxer here in El Paso, while his battles out of town have stamped him to be a boy with a K. O. wallop.

Little is known of Bailey other than what his clippings show, and from these, it is easy to see that he is a mighty good boy. Bailey can hit, and carries a mean and wicked wallop, while he is rated as one of the fastest lads in Georgia at his weight. This ought to be good for something.

Bailey is confident he will whip Newton. That much is assured, as he didn't wrangle over a thing yesterday when they met to talk over conditions. The weight will be 150 pounds, weigh in at noon, the day of the scrap. Both boys will post a weight and appearance forfeit of \$100 with matchmaker Brown Thursday. Brown will post a purse, which will go to the winner.

Just who will meet in the preliminaries is hard to say. Matchmaker Brown has several bouts lined up, but has not decided on any as yet. He will probably use Johnny Kolopus and Battling Cullins in a six rounder, as these boys stepped six rounds to a draw before. And Kolopus made a good showing with Labele Sunday.

Then, there's Tim Butler of the Toledo Ambulance corps, here, who wants to meet a 115 pounder. Just who Brown will match him with is hard to say, unless he brings Jack Dolan down from Douglas.

Jack Burke is anxious for another crack at Buck Barrance, and Brown may re-match them, while Kid Brand is strong for a try at a real bantamweight. He may get Tim Butler, if he'll agree to box the curtain raiser.

There are several other good boys in view for the show, and as it will be a Soldier Card entirely, it's hard to say who'll furnish the preliminaries.

**OHIO ENGINEERS
DEFEAT GEORGIA**
The Ohio engineers defeated the Georgia Engineers in a one-sided game, 41 to 8. The work of the engineers was the feature of the game, Eaton and Weber playing the star game. Biggest played were for the losers.

Lineup: Engineers—Eaton, Neoball, Hogan, Primodig, Weber.
Georgia—R. Mandock, L. F. Bleggett, C. Huckle, R. G. Chupman, L. H. Wetterstein.
Engineers—Grabbing for Neoball, Sullivan for Hogan.
Georgia—Walker for Chupman, Thaxton for Mandock.
Capt. Harrison, Fifth Georgia, referee.

**JOHNNY DUNDEE IS
HANDSOME A KAYO**
Philadelphia, Jan. 18.—Johnny Dundee, the New York lightweight, was knocked out by a one-sided fight, also of New York, in the first round of what was to have been a six round bout here last night.

TALKING IT OVER
Your Views and Mine.
By CHUCK SWAN.

THE victory of Kid Herman over Kid Williams, in New Orleans, helps to clear up the bantamweight championship. Though Ernie claims the crown on account of the fellow who succeeds in the ring, Williams being disqualified there was always a question over the legality of the claim. Now that Herman received a referee's decision he will be recognized as the champion. A wire received last night from New Orleans signed by a New York sporting man read as follows:

"Saw fight between Williams and Herman. Williams was all the way. Everybody astonished."

Harlan Taylor, McDaniel says in the Cleveland Leader.

Back in the old school days one of the copybook maxims told us that the fellow who succeeds in the ring keeps trying no matter how often he fails. And that's the reason we're still talking it over.

A New Orleans sport writer who somehow or other finds time to manage a fight every now and then, and is all the time writing for a newspaper work, but success hasn't attended his management of fighters. First fight he had Young Pat Moore, just about the time that Young Pat was getting good he jumped Digby and hooked up with Joe Levy. Then Fred took a shine to Joe Harang. For a time this was a prosperous concern, but George Chaney and Matt Brock bumped Joe off so often that Fred finally advised his fighter to go back to his job.

Now Digby is managing Phil Virens. Phil, like Fred, hails from New Orleans. They're friends of just standing and out in the Johnson street neighborhood in the Crescent City they all sweat by both sides.

Phil Digby took Phil as a preliminary fighter and is pointing him to a battle with champion Johnny Kilbane. Virgins took a long step forward the other night when he knocked out the old champion, Abe Attell.

As a matter of fact, Virgins with a championship we know that this will be one of the cases where the new title-holder stands by the manager who helped make him.

ABOUT THE FLYING DUTCHMAN.
In the Field, Mexico, Jan. 10, 1917.
The majority of soldiers, including myself, who have witnessed the boxing bouts of the Punitive Expedition, that have taken place at El Valle and Colonia, Durban, were deeply disgusted with an article which appeared in your columns about Al Neimath, of the 14th infantry, who was charged with himself by claiming the welterweight championship of the border.

As a matter of fact, Neimath, or "the Flying Dutchman," as he calls himself, has never in his boxing career

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HELPING YOUR FRIEND
(WHO IS A NATIONAL GUARDSMAN)
GET OFF FROM THE
ARMORY ON DRILL NIGHT



HELLO IS THIS THE ARMORY?
WELL PLEASE TELL THE
TOP SERGEANT THAT I'M
STUCK AT THE BOILER WORKS
TODAY AND WON'T BE ABLE
TO DRILL TONIGHT—I'M
WORKING OVERTIME HERE

Pennsy On Army Schedule Meet Navy On November 24

WEST POINT, Jan. 16.—Nine games of football will be on the Army's schedule for next fall. All of them will be played at home except the contest with the Navy at New York on November 24. An important event in connection with the Army's schedule is the satisfactory arrangement with the University of Pennsylvania, which will bring the Quakers here for a game this year. Football men are due to play the Army on October 13.

Penn was here in 1901 and the Army trounced the Quakers 24 to 0. Charlie Daly, who has been head coach of the soldier eleven for several years now, was quarter-back on the Army team at that time. It is likely that the West Pointers will play Pennsylvania at Philadelphia in 1918, as it was announced that the cadets would be allowed to participate in one away-from-home game each season.

This means that the West Pointers will endeavor to arrange games with Harvard, Yale or Princeton in the future. These three had already been asked for a game for next fall, as was also Colgate, Cornell, Syracuse and the University of Michigan.

Lebanon Valley, Washington and Lee and Trinity are off the cadets' schedule this year. In their places are Pennsylvania, University of West Virginia and Bowdoin. Notre Dame retains her place on the schedule, but if annual games are arranged with big eastern universities in the future, the Hoosiers will probably be dropped.

The schedule for the Army's football season is as follows: September 29, Holy Cross; October 6, University of Pennsylvania; October 13, University of West Virginia; October 20, Springfield Y. M. C. A. College; October 27, Villanova; November 3, University of Notre Dame; November 10, University of Maine; November 17, Bowdoin; November 24, Navy.

Records Are Improved By Young Stars
TED MERIDITH SHOWS SOME REAL CLASS ON A CINDER TRACK
Big Changes In Nearly All Long Events

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The latest list of records compiled by the Amateur Athletic Union and illustrated by diagrams, gives an excellent idea of the progress made in track and field performances in this country during the past 20 years. A careful examination of the records in some 17 events shows that without a single exception the early times or distances have been improved from a fraction of a second to minutes in the runs and by many feet in the field events.

The first A. A. U. performances date back to the early eighties and a comparison of the time or distance of the early events with the latest records in similar competitions disclose some wide differences. In 1888 P. Westing ran the mile in 4:35.5, a 2-5 second improvement over the time of the late Dan Kelly and Howard Drew, who held the mark at 4:38.5.

Improvement with seven other athletes named in the intermediate lowering of the time. Wendell Baker set the time for the "220" at 22 seconds in 1906. Now Drew and G. Parker hold the record of 21.5, a gain of 4-5 of a second in which Luther Cary, Bernie Wefers, Don Lippincott and others had a hand.

The quarter mile has not been so prolific in record holders. Baker set the initial time at 4:35.5 seconds in 1888, and in 1906 Maxey Long cut it down to 4:14 in a straightaway race against time. In the past 16 years there has been no further lowering of this record. In the running of the half mile, however, 3-5 seconds have been gained in 1888. Lon Flyers sprinted the 880 yards in 1:55.3. Ten years later Charles Kilpatrick clipped two seconds off this time and last summer Ted Meredith lowered it to 1:52.1-5.

In the longer runs the improvement has been more marked. Close to the second century has stood the mile in the course of 24 years. W. G. George made the distance in 4:21.2-5 in 1892. Dickie 1915 Norman S. Taylor established the present record of 4:12.2-5 with Tommy

Connett and John Paul Jones in intermediate events. In 1887 Eddie Carter ran five miles in 25:27.5 while H. Kolehmainen three years ago set the existing time at 24:29.1-5, a gain of 24-5 seconds. The same two runners figure in the ten mile run and the difference between their times amounts to 1:53.1-5.

P. Murray walked the first mile in 19:29.5 while George Goulding was only able to cut 1-5 seconds off the record 20 years later. During the past 20 years 1-1-5 seconds has been clipped from the 120 yards hurdles and one second from the "220" hurdles, the present record holder being Robert Simpson of Missouri University.

Since 1882 four athletes have held the high jumping records and the complete gain amounts to 3-5-16 inches. In the broad jump 1 foot 1-1-16 inches has been added, six performers figuring the advance to 24 feet 3-1-16 inches made by Meyer Prinstein in 1906. The high step and jump shows a gain of 6 feet 9-1-16 inches between 1884 and 1911. In pole vaulting Hugh Baxter cleared 11 feet 5 inches in 1887, but Mark Wright moved the bar up to 15 feet 1-16 inches in 1911. The discus throw improved 57 feet 1-2 inch in 20 years; the shot put 7 feet 1 inch in 20 years and the 56 pounds weight 14 feet 1-8 inches in 22 years.

BOWLING.
George Allen—Industrial league.
Sunder—
W. Lohrner—167 174 179 211
R. H. Hines—167 174 179 211
H. G. Bateman—167 174 179 211
H. A. Finner—167 174 179 211
H. G. Abbott—167 174 179 211

**NEW GEARBOAT
AFTER RECORD**
Edward V. Willis Invents
Motor Ice Craft For
Speeding on Historic
Shrewsbury River.

Red Banks, N. J., Jan. 16.—Edward V. Willis, designer of the champion ice boat named Drab, has invented a new motor iceboat which is being completed at the boatworks of Pierre A. Proal, the wealthy Deal sportsman. The new craft is expected to develop great speed and to revolutionize ice boating on the Shrewsbury.

So sure is Proal of the speed of this new craft that he has already arranged for a ten mile match race for a large wager with skipper Reuben White, who will sail America's fastest ice yacht, Imp, owned by T. T. Strauss, of Newark and West End.

Proal expects to make at least a mile a minute in his new motor ice yacht. He is building two of them at present and is profiting by the experience he has had with his other creations in the line of zero-crafts.

Ball Club Must Have Harmony
Reason of Cubs' Poor Showing

THE following bit of comment from Joe Tinker appears in the February issue of the Baseball Magazine of this week. It gives about the fairest explanation of Tinker's side of the case that we have run across in some time.

"I know the difficulties that handicapped me last year, more than any one else knows them. Naturally there are a number of things which I couldn't discuss for publication and which wouldn't do any good if I did. But when you try to combine a team of players who are looked upon with players in the league (as were most of the Federal league players on the Cubs), with a team which comprises several veterans of long standing in organized baseball you have a hard job on your hands. The main thing about any club is harmony. When you

have a cut to a ball dog you can't expect much harmony. I have been treated much the same. He stood by me throughout. I was winner for him in the Federal league, came near winning the pennant the first year; did win it the second. He hoped I could win from the start with reconstructed Cubs. I hoped I could also, but the result was not greatly different from what I could reasonably have expected.

"I don't want any more than my share, but I do want that. The Brooklyn club I believe was a stronger team than any which could possibly be created out of the discordant Cub elements. The Phillies had won the pennant the preceding year. They were sure to be powerful last season, for a winner doesn't go to pieces all at once. The Braves were admittedly the most powerful team in the league. In other words, there were four stronger teams than the Cubs. And that's where we finished—fifth."

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Out of courtesy to the Greek-American Athletic club, which will hold its road race next Sunday, the Bronx and Yorkville Athletic leagues agreed to postpone their races.

Those present followed: Henry N. Singer, Yorkville—A. L. James Clarke, Frank Ruddy and Frank Casanova, Long Island A. C. Fred A. Niles, Jr., Harlem A. L. Walter H. Smith, Catholic Young Men's Diocesan union; Frank Mazza and W. Friedman, the proposed West Side and Lower Manhattan leagues.

It would also prove to the advantage of some of the contestants who cannot go the full route, as they would always be close to the dressing room. The representatives thought the idea a good one, and it will get a tryout next Sunday.

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PRO FOOTBALL LEAGUE LOOKS GOOD IN EAST

Playing in Major League Ball Parks,
Strong Circuit Could Be Formed From
Teams of Ex-College Stars.

THE plan advanced for the formation of a professional football league next winter looks feasible, and if some of the boosters of the professional grid game will put a shoulder to the wheel it appears that a strong league can be formed which would make good with a cap G.

The football season is short, and there are thousands of devotees of the game who do not get an opportunity to see many college games.

Aside from the big games played each season, interest in the college game is largely confined to students and alumni of our colleges. And it must depend on college rivalries alone to make it pay.

But with a league composed of eight or ten large cities, and made up of ex-college and university stars, inter-city rivalries would spring up and the lovers of sport who either do not have the time to spare, or who do not lean so strongly toward college football, would sit up and take notice. In addition to these fans, the college contingent would be interested, mainly because of the presence of ex-collegiate stars in the line-ups of the teams.

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